

As a member of the media, I've seen firsthand how the de-regulation of ownership limits through the '96 Telecom Act has hurt the radio industry. Corporations like Clear Channel Worldwide have gobbled up every large station, cut staffing, and generally wrecked any chances for development of new talent before they have a chance. Also, the high percentage of revenues "owned" by CC and their like in many markets has left nothing but crumbs for independently-owned stations. De-regulation has done nothing but harm the business for everyone except a handful of investors somewhere. Change the ownership limits and let's have a level playing field once again.